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New Brockton Town Council accepts resignation of District Three Council Member Will Reeves

meeting held Monday evening, Aug. 5, meeting. council members were presented a resignation letter from District Three council member Will Reeves.

Mayor Charles Schieffer said the council could vote to accept the resignation of Reeves and begin the process of finding a new council person for that seat; or, he said the council could wait until Reeves had been vacant from his duties for 90 days and begin the process at that time.

Council members voted unanimously to accept the resignation from Reeves. No

During the New Brockton Town Council further details were provided during the

Also, during the meeting council members voted to pass along 7 percent of the cost for family coverage insurance to employees that currently have the family coverage plans. Mayor Schieffer noted that is currently only two employees.

The town will cover all but 7 percent of

The council noted the town pays all but 3.5 percent of insurance coverage costs for those employees that have single coverage



Those present Monday evening, Aug. 5, for the unveiling of the Book Vending Machine at Zion Chapel School included: (front, 1 to r) Principal Jared Robinson, Maggie Sneed, Pam Flowers, Malloree Prescott, Erin Wright, Ellie Wright, Baker Wright, Lauren Crawley, Assistant Principal D'Andra Tingey, Petite Miss ZC Isabella Boutwell, Little Miss ZC Everleigh Claire Sasser, and Future Little Miss ZC Addie Kate Baldwin; (back 1 to r) Assistant Principal Randy Bryant, Amber Danley, Ashley English, Stacey Nelson, Carson Jensen, Paula Black, Stephanie McIntosh, Jennifer Gatlin, Emily Carnley, Miss ZC Kerrigan Powell, Junior Miss ZC Paisley Kate Jordan, Teen Miss Emma Kate Jordan, and Britley Parker. The machine was donated to the school as a literacy project for Altrusa International of Jack, Alabama.

Altrusa of Jack unveils book vending maching at Zion Chapel

enjoy a special kind of vend- International of Jack. ing machine this school year

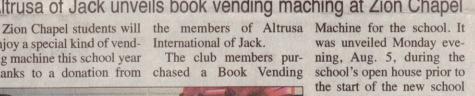
The club members purthanks to a donation from chased a Book Vending

was unveiled Monday evening, Aug. 5, during the school's open house prior to the start of the new school

of our organization so we wanted to choose a project that would be about literacy," said Altrusa of Jack

She said the club members had held fundraising habits. Plan for plenty of events to make way for the purchase of the vending machine. Also, she said the club received two grants - an Altrusa International Foundation Grant and a there is potential for more District Four Foundation Grant - that helped with the purchase.

munity," Parker said. "We are really excited to see this machine in our school, and we look forward to seeing the students enjoy it as well as they read more books!"



member Britley Parker.

"Altrusa of Jack will keep the machine fully stocked school buses, pedestrians with help from the com-

Elba BOE hires alum to teach English

During a special called meeting Monday evening, Aug. 5, the Elba Board of Education accepted the resignation of Robyn Freeman as a high school English teacher. She had been apporved for hire at a previous board meeting held in July.

After Freeman's resignation, up with a vote to hire Elba alumnus Ryan McCollough to fill the English teacher spot vacated by Freeman.



WHAT DOES THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL LOOK LIKE? The 2024-2025 school year began Tuesday, Aug. 6, for Elba City Schools, and there were lots of smiles to go around as friends reunited for a new session of learning. Elba High teacher Madison

family are properly buck-

behind the wheel and make

With a focus on newly

licensed 16- and 17-year-old

importance of responsible

driving habits. These young

drivers, as well as all motor-

ists, should remember the

belts save lives. Always use

your seat belt and ensure

Driving: Avoid such distrac-

tions as texting, eating or

playing loud music while

driving. Your full attention

Adhere to speed limits,

traffic signs and signals.

should be on the road.

vehicle do the same.

lives."

following:

traffic and busier morning commutes. Soon, all schools across the state will be back in session. This school year, ALEA is potentially fatal consequencurging parents, teen drivers

join the Agency's "Roadway to Success" cam-paign and

ALEA Secretary Hal Taylor said, "We encourage everyone to take action by talking to your chil-dren about safety and set an example by practicing safe driving extra time to arrive at your workplace or destination. Even if you are not a parent dropping off your child at school, keep in mind that traffic on roadways with young drivers and congestion will grow around school zones. Be extra cautious for and children walking or bik-

ing to school." ALEA's Director of Department of Public Safety, Colonel Jonathan Archer agreed and said, "The safety of our students and young drivers is a paramount concern this time of year. With a lot of first-time drivers on the road heading to school, we urge all drivers to exercise patience and understanding. Please remember these new drivers are gaining experience and may make mistakes. To ensure safety for all, please remain alert, put away cell phones, and always wear your seatbelt."

According to crash data for the State of Alabama in 2022, more than 56 percent of all traffic fatalities documented were not restrained. In contrast, more than percent of individuals involved in traf-fic crashes but unharmed were reported to have been using seat belts.

"One of the easiest and safest choices drivers and

This week, schools across passengers can make is to Remember Ala-bama's GDL restricts 16-year-old drivers from having more than one non-family member in the vehicle when driving. 4. No Alcohol or Drugs: Never drive under the influeveryone to understand the ence of alcohol or drugs. es of not wearing a seat belt Impaired driving is not only and citizens of all ages to and learn what you can do illegal, but it is extremely to make sure you and your dangerous.

ALEA further urges all drive responsibly and arrive led up every time. Parents, motorists to exercise caution please make time to talk with and patience when driving your teens before they get through or near school zones and when sharing the road with school buses. It is crusure they understand that buckling up could save their cial to adhere to the following guidelines for the safety of students:

> 1. Maintain a Safe drivers, ALEA stresses the Distance: Always keep a safe distance between your ve-hicle and a school bus to allow for sudden stops and children crossing the road. Additionally, watch out for 1. Seat Belt Usage: Seat children on bicycles, and leave at least 3 feet between your vehicle and the cyclist that all passengers in your when passing them.

2. Stop for School Buses: Distraction-Free Obey all stop signs and flashing lights on school buses. Failure to stop for a school bus loading or unloading children is not on-ly illegal, but it also endangers young 3. Obey Traffic Laws: lives.

> 3. Be Alert: Pay attention to school zones and obey speed limits. Children may be crossing the road or walking near school premises. ing down driveways or from



OUTGOING WORSHIPFUL MASTER HONORED... During the regular meeting Monday, Aug. 5, of the Elba Masonic Lodge #170, 2024, Outgoing Worshipful Master Brother Wendell Black (right) was presented a Past Masters Apron for his duties. The local Masons said Black has done an outstanding job in overseeing the lodge affairs for the past three years. Those duties now have been turned over to Brother Mike Amison (left).

accepting board followed

the University of Alabama School of Law. She now resides in Montgomery with her husband, Wesley, and their two children. Social time for the meet-

Senator Katie Britt

ing begins at 11 a.m.; an optional \$15 buffet begins at 11:15; meeting opens at 11:45; and the program begins at approximately noon. Everyone is invited, but reservations are required. Please RSVP no later than Sunday, Aug. 18, to Pam at email: rwcclunchreservations@gmail.com Please indicate if planning to eat.

For more information, call Pam at 334-806-8888.



THE COFFEE COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION WILL HOST THE ANNUAL PRAYER WALK FOR OUR SCHOOLS ON SUNDAY, AUG. 18, AT 4 P.M. ALL ARE INVITED TO GO TO THE SCHOOL OF CHOICE IN COFFEE COUNTY TO PRAY FOR GOD'S BLESSINGS ON THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR.



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U.S. Senator Katie Britt set to speak at RWCC meeting in Enterprise, Ala. U.S. Senator Katie Britt

will be the guest speaker Wednesday, Aug. 21, for the Republican Women of Coffee County [RWCC] meet-Britt, an Enterprise native,

will be updating those in attendance on what is going in DC, politics, and the world. In 2023, Senator Britt

was sworn in as Alabama's first elected female Senator, the youngest Republican woman ever elected to the U.S. Senate, and the only current Republican mom of school-aged kids serving in the Senate.

In the 118th Congress, Senator Britt serves on the Appropriations Committee, where she is ranking member of the Homeland Security subcommittee; the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; and the Committee on Rules and Administration. She holds a B.A. degree in political science from the University of Alabama and a J.D. from

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Dear Linda and Elba. On Saturday, July 27, my brother, Neil, and I lost our

father, Kenneth Grantham.

The outpouring of love and support from Elba and the surrounding communities that loved him and us was overwhelming. To have this wonderful small town as ours is such a blessing. We want to thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Kenneth Grantham loved

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MAIN STREET FLORIST Elba Police Report 508 N. Main Street, Opp, AL

This report reflects activity for the Elba Police Department from Tuesday, July 30, 2024, through Monday, August 5, 2024, as reported to and dispatched from the Coffee County 911 Dispatch Center -

Tuesday, July 30 Animal complaint reported at 2805 Taylor Mill Rd (6:40 a.m.); Drug activity reported on Claxton Ave N (12:37 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Marilyn St (5:05 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 866 Cedar Lane Dr (9:11 p.m.). Three traffic stops resulted in one written warning, and two citations.

Wednesday, July 31 -Traffic accident reported at 2527 County Rd 404 (1:15 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 1425 Martin Luther King Dr (9:12 p.m.); Report of animal bites at 1233 Farris Ave (11:33 p.m.). Six traffic stops resulted in three written warnings, and three citations.

Thursday, Aug. 1 -Animal complaint reported at 996 Morrow Ave (10:09 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 839 Troy Hwy (12:12 p.m.); Theft of services reported at 798 Claxton Ave N (2:19 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at 638 Claxton Ave N (4:58 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 595 Collier St (6:00 p.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in on no action taken, one verbal warning, two written warnings, and one warrant served.

Students.

Friday, Aug. 2 -Suspicious circumstances reported at 1742 County Rd 404 (12:51 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 413 Adkinson Ave A (4:25 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1018 Martin Luther King Dr (10:33 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 595 Collier Cir (11:13 a.m.); Suspicious person reported in area of Claxton Ave and Hwy 203 (12:04 p.m.); Trespassing reported at 811 Buford St (1:02 p.m.). Three traffic stops resulted in two citations, and two verbal warnings.

Saturday, Aug. Suspicious circumstances reported at 750 Williams Ave (1:21 a.m.); Harassment reported at 304 Simmons St (4:51 p.m.). Seven traffic stops resulted in one arrest, two citations, two verbal warnings, and two written warnings.

Sunday, Aug. 4 Reckless driver reported in area of Hwy 84 and County Rd 263 (1:28 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 595 Collier Cir (9:43 p.m.); Burglary reported at 811 Buford St (11:45 p.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in one citation and one verbal warning.

Monday, Aug. 5 - Theft of property reported at 1883 Hickman Ave (10:17 a.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in three written warnings, one verbal warning, and one citation.

Windy Thoughts

with Linda Hodge, Editor

The 2024-2025 school year got underway Tuesday for Elba City Schools and Wednesday for Coffee County Schools, and social media was filled with those 'first day of school' photos. For the most part, there were lots of smiles on faces with the anticipation of what the new school year will bring. We simply pray for it to be a great year of learning for all students! Let's all prop them up whereever they may lean to be a uniting force for our respective communities. Our children - tomorrow's leaders - deserve it.

If you listen to the rumor mill, you may believe City of Elba officials do not intend to reopen the Pea River bridge on Davis Street in the downtown area. However, if you ask the city officials, they will tell you the rumor is false! The city council will meet Monday evening, Aug. 12, at it regular bi-monthly meeting time, and it is our understanding from asking questions that city leaders will look at declaring the needed reparis as a emergency so the work can get done sooner rather than later. If it is deemed an emergency many normal procedure 'loopholes' can be bypassed to allow the process to move much quicker. The reason behind deeming this project an emergency and ensuring the bridge is reopened is it allows emergency vehicles to get to where they need to go on that side of town much quicker. It also also faster entry/exit from the downtown area for those same emergency folks if needed.

We, personally, hope the city leaders continue to be proactive in getting the bridge issue fixed quickly because... well...we don't like having to go all the way around town to get certain places. We started out of the office one day last week headed to a meeting at a location 'just over the bridge' and had waited to leave with just enough time to get there at the designated meeting time. Well...as we walked to our vehicle, it suddenly hit us! We were going to have to go all the way around town and circle back to get to the meeting spot. We didn't have enough time to make it to the meeting 'on time' doing that. Realizing our mistake and not wanting to disrupt the meeting after it had already begun, we opted to stay at the office and continue our other work. We'll just have to catch the next meeting, and hopefully, will remember to leave the office several minutes sooner next time..



Cuzin Lou Lou found herself being slapped in the face with some pretty powerful words last Sunday at church, and it got her to thinking just how often she /we miss the mark on

Lou's preacher Lou often says, "the Lord can hit straight with a crooked stick every time!" He was Sunday.

It was one of those sermons where Lou Lou was paying attention to the preacher as he spoke, but some things were not really sinking in...truthfully, she was most likely thinking on other things she needed to do later in the day, etc.

Then, the preacher said, "If you aren't willing to forgive, how do you expect God to forgive you?"

Whoa! Now, that got Lou Lou's attention!

She asked herself, "How many times in your life have you held a grudge or stayed mad with someone for days, weeks, months, or

even years because he/she 'did you wrong'?" Then she asked, "Why? What good did it do you?'

The answer is - It does absolutely no good to be mad and/or hold a grudge because you are only harming yourself when you are doing that.

Lou Lou has tried all week to remember that message definitely doing that last the Lord sent to her this week, and she wants to always strive to apply it to her own life. She will mess up from time to time, but it is her desire to do better.

Now...if you look at this message from the humorous side of life...Papa got his own lesson earlier this week in forgiveness! He had to forgive a local police officer that stopped him for

SPEEDING! Fortunately, the officer only gave Papa a written warning for his mess up, and he was thankful for that! However, he knew he should probably beat the small town chatter...so, he left the scene of the traffic stop and headed straight for Lou Lou's office.

"I thought I better come tell you before someone else does," Papa said as he walked into Lou Lou's office.

"What?" a confused Lou Lou asked.

"I just got stopped for speeding!"

Already laughing Lou Lou replied, "You have got to be kidding me! You got stopped for speeding. Where?"

Of all things for Papa to tell Lou Lou he had done that day...getting caught for speeding was not one of 'em! Turns out he was going a little too fast in a 25 mph zone, so, it made a bit more sense when he told Lou Lou

Any other day, Lou Lou would have expected Sister to be the getting stopped for that particular traffic violation...not Papa!

Now...the even better part is just last week Papa made a statement to one of his brother's that "Sister was the one with the lead foot in the Yonder Gang's house...um, excuse me sir... looks like she got it from you!!!! Just call him Speedy

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!



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lehem Baptist Church in

Brundidge with the Rev.

Roger Waldrop and Rev.

Carey Mauldin officiat-

ing. Burial will follow in

Bethlehem Cemetery with

Dillard Funeral Home di-

Visitation was held

Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2024,

from 5 until 7 p.m. at Dil-

lard Funeral Home in Brun-

Mike attended college

at Troy State University

where he played football

and met many lifelong

friends. After completion of his college education, he

carried his love of sports

onto coaching high school

athletics at Carrabelle High

School in Carrabelle, Fla.,

Pike Liberal Arts School

in Troy, Ala., Elba High

School in Elba, Ala., Pike

County High School in

Brundidge, and Zion Cha-

pel High School in Jack,

He was preceded in death

Survivors include his

Ammie (Derrick)

by his parents, William Ro-

wife: Susie Waters; daugh-

Thompson, Jennifer Wa-

ters; son: Carson Waters;

grandchildren: Asa and

Lou Lou Thompson; and

his two faithful canine

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Students that participated in the coding class held at New Glorious Church of God in Christ are pictured with Pastor James Starks.

New Glorious Church of God in Christ hosts coding workshop for students

of Elba partnered Saturday, for the coding workshop. July 13, with Grove Com- During the class, students munity Outreach Inc. to host had the opportunity to

was to introduce dents to the concept of with various codes, stucoding and give them dents gained insight into the a glimpse of various ca- process of game developreers in technology. The ment. As they progressed, workshop was led by La- instructors provided the mar Goosby and Tamala young learners with advice Mashburn, co-founders of and practical implications People2Work LLC, a digital about the coding process. platform designed to con- The session closed out with nect users in need of a ser- a competition. The students vice with contractors who were divided into teams who can complete the job.

together, have more than during the class to complete 30 years of experience in a series of challenges. The the global financial tech- winning team received Amnology sector. Goosby's azon gift cards. All students sons, Aaron and Greggory, received certificates for their

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a coding class for students. gain hands-on experience The goal of the class in creating a video game. stu- Through experimentation raced against each other to Goosby and Mashburn, apply what they had learned

New Glorious COGIC also served as instructors completion of the workshop. Earlier this year, Grove Community Outreach and People2Work held the workshop at Opelika Learning Center in Opelika, Ala. These efforts are part of an initiative to prepare students for an increasingly technology-based workforce and broaden their knowledge of career options. James Starks, pastor of New Glorious, said his church was pleased to host the program.

"We're grateful these software professionals chose to give back to the community," Pastor Starks said. "Our kids had an exciting day. We know that from now on, they will look at their phones and operating systems differ-



NEW OFFICERS INSTALLED...The Elba Masonic Lodge #170 and the Opp Masonic Lodge #605 met Saturday afternoon, Aug. 3, at the Elba Lodge for finger foods and fellowship. Following, PGM Brother Jamie Smith installed the new officers for the year June 24, 2024 through June 24, 2025. The installing marshal was District Ledger Brother Billy Wilkerson. Everyone enjoyed the special occasion and had a great time. The new Elba Lodge officers are pictured above. Those pictured include: (front, 1 to r) Marshal Charles Matthew Brunson Jr., J/S Kenneth Bridge Harrison, S/W Steve Kimble Dewberry, and Historian Charles Matthew Brunson Sr.; (middle, 1 to r) Treasurer Daniel Brock Stephens, S/D Edward Lamar Kelley Jr., J/W John Timothy Marler, S/S William Justin Prescott, and J/D Shawn LaDon Sawyer; (back, I to r) Installing Officer PGM Brother Jamie Smith, W/M Michael David Amison, and Chaplain William Harry Young.

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Rachel Brunson, Danielle

Pridgen, and Rylee Prid-

gen, all of Elba; nephews:

Ayden Yeboah, Santa Rosa

Beach, and Jake Brunson,

Elba; great-niece: Delaney

Cherch, Elba; and great-

nephew: Archer McQueen,

Calero, age 97, of Mont-

were held Wednesday,

Aug. 7, 2024, from the

Chapel of Hayes Funeral

Home in Elba, Ala., at 3

p.m., with Pastor Lyvord

Swain officiating. Burial

followed in the Green Hills

Cemetery in Troy, Ala.

Visitation was at Hayes

Funeral Home in Elba on

Wednesday, Aug. 7, from 2

Mrs. Calero was pre-

George

Lunsford.

ceded in death by her

Survivors include her hus-

band: Mario Calero, Mont-

gomery; and nephew: Law-

rence Padilla, Hialeah, Fla.

Mr. William Michael

Waters, age 70, a resident

of Brundidge, Ala., died

Funeral services will

WILLIAM MICHAEL

Clark

Virginia

PEGGY VIRGINIA

Mrs. Peggy

Panama City.

CALERO

gomery, Ala.,

died Satur-

day, Aug. 3,

2024, at her

Funeral

services

until 3 p.m.

parents.

WATERS

residence.

MADELEINE STRICKLIN

Ms. Madeleine Stricklin, age 95, of Brantley, Ala:, died Sunday, August 4, 2024, at Luverne Health & Rehabilitation. Funeral arrangements will be announced upon completion by Hayes Funeral Home of Elba.

MARSHALL HAYES **VAUGHAN**

Mr. Marshall Hayes Vaughan, age 36, of Elba, Ala., died Saturday, Aug. 3, 2024, at

his home in Elba. Funeral services

Home directing.

were held Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2024, at 11 a.m., from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Ronald Nunn officiating. Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery in Elba with Hayes Funeral

was Visitation Hayes Funeral Home on Wednesday, Aug. 7, from 10:00 until 11:00 a.m. graduating from After Zion Chapel High School in 2007, Hayes pursued a career in healthcare, working as a CNA at Elba General Hospital Nursing Home, and later at Mizell Memorial Hospital in Opp. Eventually, he found his true calling at Birdsong Peanut in Opp, where he enjoyed working outdoors and being part

Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2024 at of his "Birdsong family." his residence. Hayes had a deep love for animals, particularly dogs be held Thursday, Aug. 8, and cats, whom he con-He often drove around town with his dog, Izzy, in the front seat, both

sidered his "fur babies." grinning from ear to ear. Living with his dad, Jimmy, Hayes was a devoted son and caretaker. He had a knack for keeping their home neat and tidy and took pride in

maintaining their yard. Survivors include his father: Jimmy R Vaughan, Elba; sister: Heather (Patrick) Hancock, Santa Rosa Beach, Fla.; brother: Heath Vaughan, Elba; stepsisters: Ronda Sasser, Elba, and Arleen Pridgen, Birming-

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THE COURT OF COFFEE **COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANNE F. FEAGIN, Deceased. CASE NO. PR-2024-133

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been IN RE: THE ESTATE granted to Martha F. Kent, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Anne F. Feagin, deceased, on the 26th day of July, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. /s/ Jodee R. Thompson Judge of Probate 8/1,8&15-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of Foster Norris, Deceased Case No. 24-789

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of granted to Anthony Helms, Personal Representative, on the 17th day of July, 2024 by the Honorable Toby OF THE L. Seay, Judge of Probate Court, Geneva County, Alabama. Notice is hereby ing claims against the said 127 estate are hereby required to present the same within Letters Testamentary of said time allowed by law or the same will be barred. /s/ Toby L. Seay Judge of Probate

Alfred J. Danner Attorney for Petitioner P.O. Box 33 Geneva, AL 36340 7/25,8/1&8-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COUNTY, ALABAMA

THE MATTER OF THE PROBATE OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF RALPH OLIN FARRIS. Deceased. **CASE NO. 24-768**

NOTICE APPOINTMENT AND **PUBLICATION**

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Felicia Mock on the 16th day of July, 2024, by the Honorable Toby L. Seay, Judge of the Probate Court of Geneva County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Felicia Mock Felicia Mock, Personal Representative

Lee F. Knowles, Esq. Attorney for the Estate P.O. Box 369 Geneva, AL 36340 7/25,8/1&8-pd.

THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ENTERPRISE DIVISION**

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF IN Doris K. Flora, Deceased. CASE NO. PR-2024-125

NOTICE **APPOINTMENT**

Letters Testamentary of Doris K. Flora, deceased, having been granted to Joshua T. Weber, Personal Representative, on the 17th day of July, 2024, by the Probate Judge, Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson Hon. Jodee R. Thompson Probate Judge, Coffee County, Alabama

Attorney 300 E. Lee Street Enterprise, AL 36330 (334) 393-5146 7/25,8/1&8-pd.

THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **Enterprise Division**

OF: BRANDON LEE BAKER, Deceased. CASE NO. PR-2024-105

NOTICE

CREDITORS TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Nichole Culp, as administrator of the estate of Brandon Lee Baker, deceased on the 4th day of December, 2022, by the Honorable Judge of Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. /s/ Gary D. Bradshaw

D. Gary Bradshaw (BRA074) Attorney for Petitioner P.O. Box 311412 Enterprise, AL 36331-1412 (334) 393-6439 / (334) 393-7163 fax 7/25,8/1&8-pd.

said deceased have been IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA IN RE THE MATTER **ESTATE OF BENJAMIN** PHILIP MARTIN, DECEASED given that all persons hav- DOCKET NO. PR-2024-

> deceased having been granted to Charlene W. Martin, Personal Representative, on the 22nd day of July, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons In the Matter of the Estate having claims against said of to present the same within A/K/A same will be barred. Charlene W. Martin Personal Representative

Benjamin S. Armstrong Attorney for Personal Representative 200 Grove Park, Suite 670 Dothan, Alabama 36305 7/25,8/1&8-pd.

THE PROBATE IN COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY **ALABAMA** IN THE MATTER OF JOHN HINSON, Deceased. Case No.: 24-793

NOTICE **PUBLICATION**

Letters Testamentary were granted to VEDA LARAINE CLARK on the 23rd day of July, 2024. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred. VEDA LARAINE CLARK

Personal Representative

David F. Holmes, Attorney P.O. Box 1180 Slocomb, AL 36375 334-886-3123 8/1,8&15-pd.

THE PROBATE COURT FOR GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

OF IN RE: The estate of SHIRLEY RILEY WOODHAM, Deceased. Case No.: 24-792

> NOTICE OF HEARING TO OPEN ESTATE

Clayton M. Woodham, Thomas Wooham, Evan Babcock and John Babcock, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer Wesley Earl Woodham, Petitioner to be named as Personal Representative for the Estate of Shirley Riley Woodham, based upon the petition for probate of will and other relief filed by said

PROBATE Richard W. Whittaker, Petitioner by the 28th day of August, 2024, at 11:00 a.m., or, thereafter, Letters of Testamentary will be granted to Wesley Earl Woodham. Done this 23rd day of July,

> /s/ Toby L. Seay Toby Seay, Judge of Probate

> /s/ Preston Register Preston Register (REG 001) Attorney for Estate 256 Honeysuckle Rd, Suite Dothan, Alabama 36305

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SEAN LUIS VALDEZ TOLENTIONO, PLAINTIFF,

NHU VO MINH HUYNH, DEFENDANT. CASE NO: DR-2024-

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NOTICE OF **PUBLICATION** To: NHU VO MINH HUYNH.

You are hereby notified that a Complaint for Annulment has been filed in the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, (Elba Division) against you and you are required to appear and plead to or answer the same within (30) days of the last publication, which will be the 22nd day of August 2024, or thereafter a default may be rendered against you. This the 25th day of July

/s/ Amy Reeves / S Harrison Amy Reeves, Circuit Clerk Coffee County, Alabama 8/1,8,15&22-chg.

THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ENTERPRISE DIVISION**

estate are hereby required LATRICIA P. BASS COURT OF GENEVA time allowed by law or the CLAUDETTELATRICIA BASS, Deceased.

Case No.: PR-2024-135 NOTICE APPOINTMENT

Letters Testamentary of the Estate of Latricia P. Bass a/k/a Claudette Latricia Bass having been granted to Wendy N. Taylor as Personal Representative on the 29th day of July, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 29th day of July, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge 8/1,8&15-pd.

THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ELBA DIVISION**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CHARLES C. DONALDSON, Deceased. CASE NO. PC 2024-038

TAKE NOTICE Letters Testamentary having been granted to Janies Smith Donaldson, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Charles C. Donaldson, deceased, on the 30th day of July, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson Judge of Probate

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PUBLIC NOTICE STATE OF ALABAMA **COFFEE COUNTY** FORE-MORTGAGE **CLOSURE NOTICE**

WHEREAS, on the 4th day of June, 2014, Audrea T. Knight, did execute and deliver to Habitat for Humanity of Coffee County, Alabama, Inc., a mortgage which was recorded in OF-FREC Book 675, Pages 18-30, on certain real estate herein described, which mortgage appears of record in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama, and WHEREAS default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that real estate mortgage, and said default continuing, said Mortgage is now subject to foreclosure. NOW THERE-FORE, notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell at public outcry for cash to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said Coffee County Courthouse, Enterprise, Alabama, between the legal hours of sale on September 25th 2024, the following described real estate, to wit: Lot 3. Fuller Village, as shown on plat of same as recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 372, Office of the Judge of Probate, Enterprise, Coffee County, Alabama.

Property address for informational purposes: 116 NOTICE Johnson St., Enterprise, AL 36330.

Said sale and conveyance will also be made subject to the legal rights of existing Federal Tax Liens, and/ or Special Assessments, if any, which might adversely affect title to the subject property. Such sale will be made as provided in said mortgage for the purpose of paying the debt secured by said mortgage with interest thereon, and amounts required to be paid for taxes, insurance or other charges provided in said mortgage, and the expenses of foreclosure, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

This property will be sold on an "as id, where is" basis subject to any easements, encumbrances and excepgage and those contained in COUNTY, ALABAMA the records of the Office of ENTERPRISE DIVISION the Judge of Probate where above-described the property is situated. Said property will be sold without warranty or recourse expressed or implied as to title, use and/or enjoyment and will be sold subject to the right of redemption of all parties entitled thereto. This sale is subject to postponement of cancellation. HABITAT FOR HUMAN-ITY OF COFFEE COUN-TY, ALABAMA, INC BY: /s./ Charles H. Ellzey,

THE LAW OFFICES OF CHARLES H. ELLZEY, PLLC ATTORNEY FOR HABI-

TAT FOR HUMANITY OF **COFFEE COUNTY** 8/1,8&15-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE THE ESTATE OF Hobson Eugene Walden

Alleged non compos men-

CASE NO.: PR-2024-129

NOTICE PUBLICATION APPOINTING TEMPORARY

GUARDIANSHIP RICHARD LEE WALDEN whose address is unknown. You will hereby take notice, that on this day, Hobson Eugene Walden, Jr., filed with this Court his Petition For Temporary Guardianship and Conservatorship of the

Eugene Walden, Sr.

You are notified to be and appear before me, at my office in the Courthouse of said County and State at 9:00 a.m. on the 25th day of September, 2024, when the petition will be considered, and show, if anything you have to allege, why the petitioner should not be granted Letters of Guardianship and Conservatorship of said, Hobson Eugene Walden, Sr. Dated this 30th day of July, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson JODEE HON. **THOMPSON** Probate Judge Coffee County, Alabama 8/8,15&22-chg.

THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ENTERPRISE DIVISION**

In the Matter of the Estate VIRGINIA H. TYSON, Deceased. Case No.: PR-2024-140

OF **APPOINTMENT**

Letters of Administration for the Estate of Virginia H. Tyson having been granted to Earlie Johnson, Jr., Personal Representative, on the 5th day of August, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 5th day of August, 2024. /s/ Jodee R. Thompson Jodee R. Thompson,

THE PROBATE tions contained in said mort- COURT OF COFFEE

Probate Judge

8/8,15&22-pd.

THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANNETTE SIMS, deceased. CASE NO. PR 2024-142

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Larry Tidwell as Administrator of the Estate of Annette Sims, deceased, on the 5th day of August 2024 day of August, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson Judge of Probate 8/8,15&22-pd.

THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ENTERPRISE DIVISION**

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF Jimmy C. Tomberlin, Deceased. CASE NO.: PR-2024-138

NOTICE **APPOINTMENT**

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C. Tomberlin, Jimmy deceased, having been grant- TOBY L. SEAY Personal Representative, on the 31st day of July, 2024, by the Probate Judge, Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims above name person, Hobson against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson Hon. Jodee R. Thompson Probate Judge, County, Alabama Richard W. Whittaker, Attorney 300 E. Lee Street Enterprise, AL 36330

THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ENTERPRISE DIVISION**

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8/8,15&22-pd.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARIE CHANCEY. Deceased. CASE NO. PR 2024-137

NOTICE that TAKE Letters Testamentary having been granted to Dianne Evans, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Marie Chancey, deceased, on the 31st day of July, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson Judge of Probate 8/8,15&22-pd.

THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: BONNIE RUTH JACKSON, DECEASED. CASE NO.: PR-2024-136

NOTICE TO FILE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Bonnie Ruth granted to the und signed on the 31st day of July, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate that they are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or such claims will be barred. /s/ Alexander Montgomery

Jackson Alexander Montgomery Jackson

Personal Representative 8/8,15&22-pd.

STATE OF ALABAMA **GENEVA COUNTY**

LEGAL NOTICE OF PERMANENT CHANGE OF VOTING PLACE **OFPRECINCT NUMBER** 11, BOX NUMBER 1

This is legal notice that the Geneva County Commission has permanently changed the voting place of Precinct Number 11, Box Number 1, beginning with the 2024 Statewide general election to be held on November 5, 2024, from the Joy Life Center, 177 East Baxley Street, Coffee Springs, Alabama 36318, to the Coffee Springs Senior Citizens Center, 195 East Street, Coffee Springs, Alabama 36318, because the Joy Life Center is privately owned and it sold to another private owner, and Geneva County does not have a lease agreement with the new owner. All voters in Precinct Number 11, Box Number 1, shall vote at the Coffee Springs Senior Citizens Center, 195 East Spring Street, Coffee Springs, Alabama 36318, beginning with the 2024 Statewide general election to be held on November 5, 2024. At all future elections after November 5, 2024, voters in Precinct Number 11, Box Number 1, shall continue to vote at the Coffee Springs Senior Citizens Center, 195 East Spring Street, Coffee Springs, Alabama 36318.

Letters Testamentary of the 8th day of July, 2024. /s/ Toby L. Seay Judge

8/8,15,22&29-chg.

In the Probate Court of Geneva County, Alabama In Re: the Matter of Betty

Hendrickson Case No. 2024-772

FOR **PUBLICATION**

Thomas Daniel Hendrickson, who is hereby given notice that a Petition for Guardianship been filed regarding Betty Hendrickson, in the Probate Court of Geneva County, Alabama, and this hearing is set for the 4th day of Sept., 2024, at 10:00 A.M. Done this 1st day of August, 2024.

/s/ Toby L. Seay Toby L. Seay, Probate Judge

Attorney for Geneva County Department of **Human Resources** Alfred J. Danner P.O. Box 33 Geneva, Alabama 36340 8/8,15&22-chg.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of **JIMMY** WAYNE ANDERSON. Deceased. Case No. 24-796

NOTICE **APPOINTMENT** BE PUBLISHED **ADMINISTRATRIX** THE STATE **ALABAMA GENEVA COUNTY**

In the Matter of the Estate of Jimmy Wayne Anderson, Deceased.

Letters of Administration of said Deceased having been granted to Margaret Marie Somerford, Administratrix, on the 31st day of July, 2024, by the Honorable Toby L. Seay, Judge of the Probate Court of Geneva County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said or cancellation. Alabama Jackson, deceased, having estate are hereby required law gives some persons time allowed by law or the same will be barred. Done and dated this the 31st day of July, 2024. /s/ Toby L. Seay Toby L. Seay, Judge of Probate.

> Attorney for Estate: David W. Rousseau, Esq. Post Office Box 10 801 W. Main Suite 4 Hartford, AL 36344 (334) 588-3333 (334) 588-0046 (fax) 8/8,15&22-pd.

STATE OF ALABAMA, GENEVA COUNTY.

NOTICE OF FORECLO-

SURE

Default having been made under the terms and conditions of that certain mortgage dated the 28th day of November, 2022, executed by Luis Alberto Alvarez Flores to William Nathan Mathis, a married man, which said mortgage is recorded in OR Book 1176, Page 398, recorded November 28th, 2022, and said default continuing, the undersigned has elected to declare the entire indebtedness secured by said mortgage to be due and payable as provided in said mortgage, and notice is hereby given, that pursuant to law and the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the undersigned will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder, for cash, at the front door of the Geneva County Courthouse in Geneva, Alabama, during the legal sale hours on the 3rd day of September, 2024, the following described real estate, situated in Geneva County, Alabama, to-wit: One lot or parcel of land in Geneva County, Alabama as surveyed by The Boundary Hunter, LLC as per plat dated October 19, 2022 and being more

particularly described as follows: Beginning at an existing ½" rebar, cap #28576 marking the Northwest corner of Section 16, Township 1 North, Range 25 East and the POINT DONE AND DATED this OF BEGINNING; thence

of 678.08 feet to an existing ½" rebar, cap #28576; ed to Beverly Hurley Hill, Geneva County Probate thence S00°36'50"E for a distance of 543.30 feet to an iron pin set (1/2" rebar, cap #CA 1143) on the Northwest Right of Way (R/W) line of Bethesda Church Road (not paved); thence along said R/W line, along a curve to the riving having a radius of 4975.00 feet and an arc length of 193.43 feet with a chord bearing and distance of S61°19'39"W. 193.42 feet to an existing ½" rebar, cap #28576; thence continue along said R/W line S62°26'29"W for a distance of 579.31 feet to an existing ½" rebar, cap #28576: thence leaving said R/W line, N00°13'29"E for a distance of 852.52 feet to the POINT OF BEGIN-NING. Said land is located in the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 16, Township 1 North, Range 25 East and

> Said property will be sold "AS IS." Said property will be sold subject to the right of redemption of all parties entitled thereto. No representation or warranty, expressed or implied, is made as to the title of said property. Said property is subject to any title deficiencies including but not limited to: any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of recorded superior to the

contains 10.91 acres, more

or less.

Mortgage first set above. The debt secured by said Mortgage has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Mortgage. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in said Mortgage and by Alabama law. This sale is subject to postponement who have interest in proj erty the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as part of the

foreclosure process. The proceeds of the sale will be applied, first to the expenses of advertising and conducting said sale, including a reasonable attorney's fee, for legal services as provided in such mortgage; second, to the payment of any debt other than the note above described which may then be due or owing to the Mortgagee, with interest to the date of sale; third, to the payment of the above' described note with the interest thereon to the date of sale; forth, the surplus, if any, shall be paid to the Mortgagor.

/s/ Alfred J. Danner Alfred J. Danner, Attorney for Mortgagee P.O. Box 33 Geneva, AL 36340 8/8,15&22-chg.

THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF CARL OWEN RICHTER, 8/8,15&22-pd. Deceased.

N85°37'29"E for a distance CASE NO.: PC 2024-036

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary were granted on July 30, 2024, to Georgia Richter and Jonathan Richter, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Carl Owen Richter, deceased, who departed this life on or about the 14th day of November,

2014, by the Hon. Jodee

Rowe Thompson, Judge of

NOTICE IS HEREBY

Probate.

GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. Griffin Shirley, Esq. (SHI032) Attorney for Petitioners Shirley Law Firm 431 North Court Avenue Post Office Box 408 Elba, Alabama 36323 Telephone (334) 897-5775

THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

Facsimile (334) 897-2304

8/8,15&22-pd.

STEPHENIE RENEE HERNANDEZ Plaintiff,

JULIO HERNANDEZ Defendant.

Domestic Relations Division Civil Action # DR-2024-900122 Judge JWK

NOTICE OF DIVORCE

ACTION Julio Hernandez, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer Stephenie Hernandez's Renee Compliant by September 6, 2024 or thereafter a judgment by default may be rendered against him in Case No. DR-2024-900122, in the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama.
Dated this the 5th day of August 2024.

/s/ Amy L. Reeves Circuit Clerk Coffee County, Alabama Brogden Law Firm, LLC

Robert H. Brogden, Esq. Attorney at Law 164 East College Street Ozark, Alabama 36360 334-774-5171 Attorney for Stephenie Renee Hernandez

THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

8/8,15,22&29-chg.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RICHARD WAYNE HAYWOOD. Deceased. CASE NO.: PC 2024-039

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** TAKE NOTICE

Letters of Administration having been granted to Tim Sullivant, as Administrator of the Estate of Richard Wayne Haywood, deceased, on the 6th day of August, 2024, by Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate for Coffee County, Alabama.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. /s/ Jodee R. Thompson Jodee R. Thompson Judge of Probate

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Housing Authority of the City of Samson has developed the Five-Year/Annual Agency Plans, and Five-Year Capital Fund Program budgets, for Fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025 in compliance with current HUD regulations. It is available for review at the Authority's Office located at 12 N. Wise St., Samson, AL. Office hours are Monday - Thursday, 7:30AM and 5:00PM, and Friday 7:30 AM - 11:30 AM.

A public hearing will be held on September 24, 2024 at the Authority's office at 3:45 PM.

CHURCH NEWS

First Baptist and Westside Baptist churches sponsor back-to-school bash

was held Wednesday evening, July 31, on the grounds First Baptist Church. of First Baptist Church Elba.

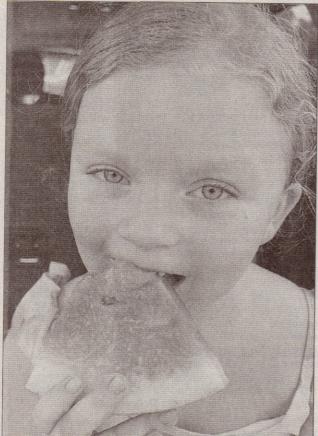
Church and Westside Baptist Church. The event also included a scheduled

"We had great attendance

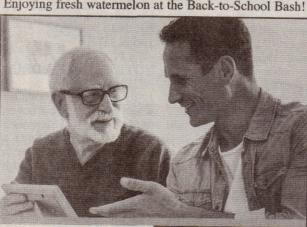
A Back-to-School Bash bash and the blood drive," said Kit Johnson, pastor of

Both churches donated This event was co- paper towels, Lysol wipes, sponsored by First Baptist and Kleenex to Elba City Schools for the elementary and high schools. This came as a request from the school counselors.

According to Johnson, "a for both the back-to-school good time was had by all!"



Enjoying fresh watermelon at the Back-to-School Bash!



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Homecoming planned for Aug. 11th at Woodland Grove Baptist Church

Homecoming Church will be Sunday, message. Aug. 11, beginning at 10:30

Special music will be by Beverly Simms, and former attend.

at pastor Mark Cooper will Woodland Grove Baptist deliver the Homecoming

Lunch will follow in the Family Life Center.

Everyone is invited to

Basin Baptist Church to celebrate Homecoming on Sunday, Aug. 11 Homecoming at Basin by church members. The

invited to attend.

The services will begin follow in the fellowship at 9:30 a.m. with special hall. music and more provided

Baptist Church will be Homecoming worship ser-Sunday, Aug. 11, and all are vice will begin at 10:30 a.m. A covered dish lunch will

Come celebrate.

New Beginning Christian Church to host revival services in August New Beginning Christian

Ala., will host Revival services Aug. 12-14 at 7 p.m. each night.

Guest speaker will be Church, located at 8329 Rev. Willie White Jr., pas-East Emmett, Brantley, tor of Johns Chapel A.M.E. Church, Enterprise, Ala.

All are invited to attend these services.

Jack Assembly of God plans Aug. 18 Homecoming service Jack Assembly of God

Church, located at 2200 County Rd. 208, Jack, Ala., will celebrate Homecoming on Sunday, Aug. 18, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Jimmy and Marie Eddins will minister in word and song during the services. Everyone is welcome to



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Scripture: Psalm 23

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Johnnie McBride, Deloris Williams, Timothy Andrews, Windy Wood, Elba Zion Church family, Dwight Belcher, Larry Rogers, Vernetter Purvis, Michael Manning

August Birthdays **Anniversaries** Lacy N. Kelley 8/3

Ruby H. Ellison 8/3 Perry R. Stinson 8/4 Myron and Maria Duncan 8/9 W.A.

Bria Culver 8/9 MaryLou Campbell Daniels 8/8 Elder J.C. Rogers 8/9 Ola Woods 8/10

LeRay Smedley 8/10

A Unique Fellowship Many Christians enjoy singing the hymn, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." Whenever we sing, "What a fellowship, what a joy divine!" we usually think of person-to-person fellowship, though this verse is actually describing the relationship we have with Jesus. Often the occasions when we are singing the hymn are happy times

spent with fellow believ-

ers.

Paul, however, recognized there is another side to fellowship. It may surprise us to hear him speak of the fellowship of Christ's sufferings. Yet, when Christians suffer for Christ's sake, they share a unique partnership with Him. They come to know Christ in a way that those of us who live in more comfortable surroundings will never experience. At the same time, the blessing of this fellowship can encourage those who suffer in more "ordinary" ways.

A minister once told of visiting a member in the

her intense pain. She said to him, "You don't know what I am suffering." He agreed that indeed he did not. Then he told her, "But, Christ does. He suffered intense pain on the cross, and He knows what you are going through."

The minister noted he immediately saw a look of comfort come over the woman's face. It made a difference to her to realize that Christ knows what it is to suffer, and that when we suffer there is a unique bond between us and Him "What a fellowship" the precious fellowship of suffering! - R.C.S.

Question Answer Section Q/A for the Week of 8/8/24

Q: What was Stephen's last words before he died? (Lord, lay not this sin to their charge; Lord, help A: Lord, lay not this sin to

A: Fire [Acts 2:3]

Thought to Remember Life is precious. Wrap it in

look like? (fingers, fire,

love. No day is dark when the Son is present.

Questions for the Week of 8/15/24

Micaiah about going into battle at a certain city. Which one? (Bethlehem, Jerusalem, or Ramoth-Gilead)

Q: Which King of Judah was with Ahab on this occasion? (Jehoshaphat, David, or Adam)

Jehoshaphat dressed in?

grateful.



IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN

ABOUNDING GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH Rockey Pearce, Pastor Morn. Worship. . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m

CHURCH SAMSON, Ala. Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor Morn. Worship. . . 10:30 a.m. Wed. Night Service .7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Will Jordan, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH Sam Self, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 10:30 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. . 6:30 p.m.

BETHEL AME CHURCH Deborah A. Butler, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class . . 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST Greg Cotter, Pastor Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship ... 10:00 a.m. Disciple Train 5:30 p.m. Even Worship 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS **BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH Remonia Smith, Pastor

Church Service 9:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH Larry Mills, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night. 7:00 p.m. COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH

Steve Watson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST

Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Discipleship Training 5:00 Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed Prayer Meet . . 7:00 p.m.

EANON BAPTIST CHURCH Mark Ward, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD David Noble, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD

DF PROPHECY
H.L. Buckner, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Night 6:00 p.m. Thur. Night 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE Allen Richards, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD Billy Janes, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service 6:30 p.m.

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Kit Johnson, Pastor Kit Johnson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service 6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Services . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Lovell Martin, Pastor Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service ... 6:00 p.m.

Sunday Fellowship . 9:30 a.m. Sunday Fellowship . 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship . . 10:00 a.m. Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal 5:30 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer . . . 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Timothy Williams, Pastor Sunday School . . 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

CHURCH

COMMUNITY CHURCH
Phillip Adcock, Pastor
Sunday Morning . . 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

1st ASSEMBLYS OF GOD -KINSTON Danny Bradshaw, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST Scott Donaldson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH Edward E. Drake, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.

GODS POWER HOUSE

GRACE FELLOWSHIP John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor Sunday School . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.

GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Marvin Luckett Jr., Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . .11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study. . 6:00 p.m. HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC

W. K. Ellison, Pastor Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Service ... 6:00 p.m. HAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Morn. Worship 8:45 a.m. HAW HILL ASSEMBLY

OF GOD
Shirlie Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . 7:00 p.m. HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH Mark Cooper, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:30 p.m.

Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m

HOLY TEMPLE COGIC Glenwood, AL
Sunday Prayer 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service . . . 11:00 a.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD Wesley D. Ard, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Danny Branch, Pastor Sunday School . . . 8:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 10:00 a.m. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

Even. Service 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m. JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD Matthew Morris, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.

Even. Service 5:00 p.m. Wed Prayer Service 7:15 p.m. KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH Heath Fountain, Pastor

Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m. LIVING WORD CHURCH
Derrick Stinson, Pastor
Saturday Service . . 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service . . 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Youth Service 6:00 p.m.
Thurs Sarvice . . . 600 p.m.

Thurs. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST Greg Hanchey, Minister Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Even. Service 5:00 p.m. LOVE'S WAY CHURCH Charles Jones, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH J. R. Parks, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . .11:00 a.m. 1st & 3rd Sundays

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH Dewey Emfinger, Pastor Sunday School . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . 5:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH Olan Strickland, Pastor Sunday School . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. MT. ZION BAPTIST

CHURCH Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.

Church Directory

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD

OF GOD
Tom & Barbara Davis, Interim Pastors
Sunday School . . . 9:15 a.m.
Fellowship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Time . . 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m. Cathedral of the Holy Spirit NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL. Linda Williams, Pastor Sunday 11:00 a.m. Wed. Even. 7:30 p.m.

NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - ENTERPRISE W. K. Ellison, Pastor Morning Worship . . 9:00 a.m. Evening Worship . . 6:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening . . 7:00 p.m. Friday Evening . . . 7:00 p.m.

NEWBIA BAPTIST CHURCH CHURCH
Hubert McWaters, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m.
Disciple Train . . . 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON METHODIST CHURCH Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:30 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Terry Godwin, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.

Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Bible Study 5:00 p.m.

Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m.

NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH Randall Pearson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m.

NEW GLORIOUS COGIC James Starks Jr., Pastor Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Bib Stud Wed 6:00 p.m. NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH

CHURCH
Allen Dieas, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p.m. NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

Brad Sasser, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 1:00 a.m. Worship 5:00 p.m. Even. Worship 5:00 p.m. Wed. Even. Service 6:30 p.m.

NEW HOPE CHURCH Lanny Shepard, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m. Wed Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Lorearl Flowers, Minister Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays

OAK GROVE BAPTIST Julian Mitchell, Pastor 1st, - 4th Sun. Morn. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. OLD TABERNACLE UNIT-

ED METHODIST CHURCH Lee Jones, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.

Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m.

Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m. PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON Terry McCrummen, Pastor Sunday School9:45 Morn. Worship.....11:00 Eveniing Worship. 6.00 Wed. Worship. 7:00

PRAISE & GLORY WORSHIP CENTER Roy L. Turner, Pastor Sunday School . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service . 6:30 p.m. ROCKY HEAD M.B.

A. R. Williams, Pastor

A. K. Wilhams, Pastor Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays ROETON BAPTIST Kerry Saxon, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . 7:00 p.m. SHADY GROVE AME James Boots, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST Leon Fortune, Pastor Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.

Even. Service Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p.m. TAYLOR HILLCOMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m. me; or Lord, save me) their charge [Acts 7:60] Q: On the day of Pentecost, what did the "cloven tongues" that appeared

Q: King Ahab asked

Q: What was Ahab and

Today is a good day! Be

Jimmy and Marie Eddins hospital, who spoke of Eria's Daughter, Sue CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill Sunday School . 10:00 a.m. Noon Worship . 12 noon Even. Service . 7:00 p.m. Youth Ser. Mon. . 7:00 p.m. Wed Bible Class . 7:00 p.m. Fri Missionary Ser. 7:00 p.m.

CHURCH, Elba Max Reed, Minister Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:30 a.m. Tuesday Bible Class. 7:00 p.m. TRINITY BAPTIST

THE WAY OF HOLINESS

James Preachers, Pastor Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship ... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH a.m. Even. Service. , 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

CHURCH CHURCH
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:45 p.m.
Wed. Worship ... 7:00 p.m. VICTORY TABERNACLE Ruby Lawson, Pastor Morn. Worship . 10:30 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . 7:00 p.m.

VICTORIA BAPTIST

WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH Ken Wilson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p.m.

WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH Lucas Taylor, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p. m.

WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Dustin Wisecarver, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Donnie Marler, Pastor Sunday School . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m. CHAPEL

WOOTEN CASSEMBLY OF CHURCH Mike Medley, Pastor Sunday School . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . 7:00 p.m.

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Cary Maulden, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m.

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FAIRVIEW BAPTIST Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet 7:30 p.m. FAITH CHAPEL

SPORTS NEWS

Views From The Pressbox By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The last weekend of summer vacation was a busy one for these old grandparents as we took our youngest grandson to swimming lessons, went with our oldest grandson to open house at his new school and then went with him and his Mom to an 'escape room' in Enterprise. WOW.... I am already looking forward to the weekend!

For what it is worth....

*** The Kinston 12 and Under All-Stars concluded an amazing summer on the softball field last week with a second place finish at the Babe Ruth World Series. Teams from thirteen states and two foreign countries were in the field, and Kinston posted a 7-1 record at the tournament to take home the runner-up trophy, memories that will last a lifetime and experience that will no doubt pay dividends as the youngsters continue their careers in softball, and all sports. Kinston posted three one-run wins in the tournament against some of the top teams on the planet, and before the final game one parent of a player wrote on her Facebook account that 'Kinston, population 508, was getting ready to play in the championship game against Jefferson Parrish, with a population of 425,000.' The Kinston girls played hard for all seven innings in the championship game in an effort to shock the world, but the two-time defending series champs made it three straight with a win, as Kinston placed second ahead of third place Mexico. This group of players, their coaches, parents and fans are to be commended for all they did at the World Series, and all summer, and have set a high bar for future teams from the small town in south Coffee County to reach. Great job, girls, don't let the wording on the trophy fool'ya, the Kinston All-Stars are champions!

*** This week's high school football preseason spotlight shines on the Zion Chapel Rebels and the Brantley Bulldogs.

The Rebels haven't won a region title since back in 1979 and last season posted a 5-5 record, but are convinced a move into a new region will bring new life and new success, and after looking at the schedule it does appear the team has a real shot at posting a winning and possibly advancing to the playoffs. Four wins appear to be almost a sure thing against Ellwood Christian, Calhoun, Barbour County and Pleasant Home, while the Rebels should also be favored against Kinston and Pike Lib, which would add up to six wins and a playoff berth. Nothing ever comes easy on the football field. However, the Rebels never back down, and this could be a season their fans get to stand and cheer more often than in quite some time.

The Bulldogs struggled at times last season due to injuries and inexperience at key positions, but are determined to get back on top of the region and with a 224-30 all-time region record and 32 region titles it is easy to see the excitement and confidence building at the pound. Brantley still has a couple of very tough opponents on the schedule in region rival Elba, county rivals Luverne and Highland Home, and 2A power Ariton. However, these Bulldogs have never backed down from a challenge and are no doubt looking forward to quickly making everyone forget about last season's struggles. It won't be easy, but everyone knows you never bet against the 'Dogs.

*** In Closing I have been watching a new podcast about Alabama football and in the first two episodes the guest was former Crimson Tide radio announcer Eli Gold. Gold made it clear it was not his idea to step down from the booth, but didn't throw anyone under the bus and told some funny stories about Nick Saban and explained what really goes on in the Pressbox at games. I remember many years ago when I first began broadcasting Elba Tiger football games I got on the computer and tried to find a phone number to get some pointers. When that didn't work I emailed him at the company that he worked for and a few days later I got a call back with words of advice. For him to take the time to call a high school radio announcer was certainly not expected, but was greatly appreciated, and from that day on he was my favorite sports personality.

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Zion Chapel Rebels march into new region, renew county rivalry on '24 grid schedule

The Zion Chapel Rebels will make the move to Class 2A, Region 3 this season in high school football and will compete in a balanced schedule that includes one home game and one game on the road for consecutive weeks throughout the

In their sixty-third year on the gridiron, the Rebels own an all-time record of 210-412-1, claimed their last region title back in 1979 and last season posted a 5-5 record.

The coaching tree at Zion Chapel finds John Frank Hudson on top with a 54-50 record in three stints at the helm, followed by David Collins with a 32-37 record in two stints as the head coach, Mike Waters with a 15-26 record, Harry Lees with a 15-27 record and Randy Bryant with a 15-36 record.

Zion Chapel will open the season at home when welcomes Kinston back to the schedule after a two-year absence. The Rebels own a 25-22 alltime record against their cross-county rivals, but lost the last meeting 20-12 back in 2021. Coach Rudy Free is in his sixth season at Kinston and has a 19-32 record. The Bulldogs have posted a 6-14 record the last two years after a banner 8-4 record in 2021

Zion Chapel will hit the road to Selma for a week two showdown against the Ellwood Christian Eagles. The game will mark the first time the teams have met on the gridiron, and will also mark a return to the field for the Eagles, which last fielded a team back in 2019 after posting a 1-38 record the previous four years.

Zion Chapel will return home in week three for a region clash with the Goshen Eagles. The Rebels have a 6-26 all-time record in the series, have lost the last ten match-ups and dropped a 35-7 decision a year ago. Coach Don Moore is in his fourth season with the Eagles with a 16-16 record, and has led Goshen to back-to-back winning seasons, including a 9-3 record last year.

Zion Chapel will be back on the road the following week when it tangles with the Highland Home Flying Squadron, in a key region clash. The Rebels have an 8-12 al-time record against the Squadron and won the last meeting by forfeit back in 2019. Coach Justin Bragg is in his first year at Highland Home, which has posted a 30-10 record the last three years, and a 21-5 region record the last four

Zion Chapel will be back at home in week number five for a region encounter with the Luverne Tigers. The Rebels are 0-8 all-time in the series and lost 60-0 in their last game with the Tigers in 2019. Coach Bobby Hudson is in his first year at Luverne and is the third different head coach in the last three seasons. The Tigers have posted a 3-9 record the past two years and have claimed a total of 620 wins in 104 years on the gridiron.

Zion Chapel, after an open date the last week in September, will swing back into action the first week in October in a road region battle against the Pike Liberal Arts Patriots. The Rebels were awarded a win over the Patriots in their only meeting last

ZION CHAPEL

2024 Football Schedule

Aug. 23 Kinston Aug. 30 at, Ellwood Christian Sept. 6 Goshen * Sept. 13 at, Highland Home * Sept. 19 Luverne * Sept. 27 Open Date Oct. 4 at, Pike Liberal Arts * Oct. 11 Baker, FL. Oct. 18 at, Calhoun * Oct. 25 Barbour County * Nov. 1 Pleasant Home (*Denotes region game)

season due to a forfeit. Coach William Moguel is in his second season at Pike Lib and a year ago led the team to a 3-6 record in its final season outside the AHSAA.

Zion Chapel will return home in week seven for a clash with the Baker Gators. The Rebels are 1-3 all-time time in the series, and lost the last meeting 35-0 way back in 1965. Coach Matt Brunson is back at baker after one season at Opp, and will lead a team that has won five state championships and placed runner-up four times.

Zion Chapel will hit the road in week eight for a region clash with the Calhoun Tigers. The Rebels own an 8-2 series edge and have won six straight games against the Tigers, including a 47-0 win in their last game in 2019. Coach Ervin Starr is in his seventh year at Calhoun and has a 5-56 record with

posted a winning record since 1998.

Zion Chapel will return home in week number nine when it hosts the Barbour County Jaguars in its final region contest of the season. The Rebels are 0-1 all-time against Barbour County with a 22-10 loss back in 2011. Coach Derrick Levett is in his second year at Barbour County and in his debut led the Jaguars, which have won only two games over the past ten years, to a 1-9 record.

Zion Chapel will close the regular season on the road when they travel to Covington County for a non-region match-up with the Pleasant Home Eagles. The Rebels own a 13-5 series edge over the Eagles, have won seven straight contests, and last season posted a 39-6 win. Coach Kevin Bond is in his first season at Pleasant Home, which posted a 1-9 record a year ago and in the past six seasons have a combined the Tigers, which has not record of 8-51.

Brantley Bulldogs will face challenging grid schedule in '24 in region and non-region

The Brantley Bulldogs will kick off their ninetyninth year on the gridiron this season and will face a challenging schedule that includes three Class 2A playoff participants from a year ago and a three-game region road trip late in the

Brantley has won four state championships during its dominance in the 1A ranks (1993-1998-2009-2012) as well 32 region titles. Its overall record in football is 609-341-15, with a gaudy 224-30 area/region slate and an impressive 81-39 record in the post-season.

The Bulldogs have been guided by some of the top prep coaches in the state, including their alltime winningest coach in David Lowery, who posted a 156-27 record in his tenure at Brantley and led his teams to a pair of state titles. Other top coaches at Brantley during its rich football history are Roland Jones, Jr. (61-16), Paul Wooley (59-32-1), Roland Jones (58-28) and Mike Sasser (51-81-1).

Brantley will kick off the regular season on the road when it makes the short ride to Luverne to meet the Luverne Tigers for the 91st time. The Bulldogs are 31-56-3 all-time against the Tigers, have won only two of the last eight meetings, and last season lost 28-14. Coach Bobby Hudson is the third head coach in three years at Luverne and inherits a team that posted a 7-4 record last season, and has enjoyed nine straight winning seasons.

Brantley will be at home in week number two for a region clash with the Pleasant Home Eagles. The Bulldogs are 23-1 all-time against the Eagles, have won the last twenty-two meetings and a year ago won 37-7. Coach Kevin Bind is in his first season at Pleasant Home, which struggled to a 1-9 record last season and suffered eight straight losing seasons.

Brantley will be back on the road for a week three region match-up against the Red Level Tigers. The Bulldogs own a 6-14 series edge against the Tigers, have won the last twenty meetings and last season posted a 54-13 win. Coach Kenny Sipper is in his eighth season at Red Level, owns an 18-50 record as the Tigers head coach, and last season led the team to a 2-8 record.

Brantley will return home in week number four for a key region battle with the Elba Tigers. The Bulldogs are 13-34 alltime against the Tigers, have lost four of the last five meetings, and a year ago lost 48-0. Coach Marc Sieving is in his fifth year at Elba and has posted a 40-8 record, including a 13-1 record last season, and over the past three years has led the Tigers to a 34-4 record.

Brantley will stay at home at exit the region wars in week five when they host the Highland Home Flying Squadron. The Bulldogs own a 55-24

BRANTLEY BULLDOGS

2024 Football Schedule

Open Date Aug. 23 Aug. 30 at, Luverne Sept. 6 Pleasant Home * Sept. 13 at, Red Level * Sept. 20 Elba * Sept. 26 Highland Home at, Georgiana * Oct. 4 Oct. 11 at, Florala * Oct. 18 at, McKenzie * Oct. 25 Kinston * Nov. 1 Ariton

(*Denotes region contest)

series advantage over the Squadron, but has lost the last two meetings, including a 46-0 loss a year ago. Coach Justin Bragg is in his first season at Highland Home, which posted a 10-2 record last season and over the last two years has recorded a 22-4 record.

Brantley will begin a three-game region road trip in week six when it travels to Georgiana for a battle with the Georgiana Panthers. The Bulldogs are 15-24-2 all-time against the Panthers and lost last season 26-0, but have won four of the last five meetings. Coach Berry Bess is in his fourth year with Georgiana and has led the Panthers to a 17-16 record, including a 10-2 record a year ago, and back-to-back winning seasons.

Brantley will head to McKenzie in the second leg of the three-week road trip for a region clash with the McKenzie Tigers. The Bulldogs are 40-17-2 alltime against the Tigers, have won 13 straight contests and last season

posted a 30-28 win. Coach Brian Bradford is in his second season at McKenzie and last year led the Tigers to a 5-5 record, after the team had struggled to a 6-13 record the previous two years.

Brantley will close the road trip and region play the following week when they head to Kinston for a dogfight with the Kinston Bulldogs. Brantley owns a 34-4 record against Kinston, has won 26 straight meetings, and last season posted a 30-27 win. Coach Rudy Free is in his sixth season at Kinston and owns a 19-32 record during his career on the Bulldog sidelines.

Brantley will be back at home in the final week of the regular season when it hosts the Ariton Purple Cats, in non-region action. The Bulldogs are a perfect 15-0 all-time against the 'Cats, won the last meeting 56-0 back in 2009, and in the series has outscored Ariton 502-58. Coach Steven Kilcrease is in his ninth season with the Purple Cats.

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SPORTS NEWS



Against international field

Kinston places second at BR 'World Series'

The 2024 Babe Ruth and Kylee Jerkins. The Softball 'World Series' was held last week in Florence. Alabama, with teams representing 13 states and two foreign countries competing in the 12 and Under division, and when the weeklong tournament drew to a close the team that claimed second place in the international tournament was the Kinston All-Stars, from Kinston, Alabama.

Team members included Adelyn Jarrell, Adalyn Whigham, Aubrey Norris, Delia Bella Carter, Pennington, Elin Everheart, Greene, Emma Miranda, Harper Morris, Haley Swager, Layla Carter, Emmalyn Jarrell, Ollie-Mae McCrummen

team was managed by Steven Jarrell, assisted by coaches Tim Whigham, Zach Pennington and Cara

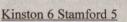
Following are highlights from all eight tournament

Kinston 13 Spring-Ford 12

The Kinston All-Stars watched a five-run sixth inning lead evaporate, but rallied in the tenth inning with three runs and this time held on to sneak past Spring-Ford (Pennsylvania). The Stars owned a 10-5 lead heading into the bottom of the sixth after plating six runs in the top of the inning, but saw Spring-Ford rally to

pull even in the pool play opener for both teams.

Aubrey Norris had 4 hits, scored 4 runs and had 1 rbi to lead Kinston at the plate, while Delia Pennington added 3 hits, scored 2 runs and had 5 rbi's; Adalyn Whigham added 3 hits and scored 1 run; Ella Greene added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; Harper Morris added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; Layla Carter added 2 hits and scored 2 runs; Kylee Jerkins added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; and, Adelyn Jarrell added 1 hit and 1 rbi. Elin Everheart, Adelyn Jarrell and Hayley Swager combined to pitch 10 innings, with Jarrell pitching nine innings, and allowed nine earned runs on 16 hits and six walks, while striking out eight.



The Kinston All-Stars rallied from an early 3-1 deficit to post an exciting 6-5 win over Stamford (Connecticut). Kinston scored two runs in the fourth inning and added three runs in the fifth to open up a 6-3 lead, but had to hold on late to claim its second win in pool play.

Ella Greene had 2 hits and scored 1 run to lead Kinston at the plate, while Emma Miranda added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; Kylee Jerkins



KINSTON ALL-STARS - The Alabama State Champion Kinston All-Stars were their special 'USA" jerseys in a game during last week's Babe Ruth World Series to honor their nation.

added 1 hit and scored 1 run; and, Aubrey Norris, Adelyn Jarrell and Harper Morris all scored 1 run. Haley Swager pitched six innings and allowed two earned runs on six hits and three walks, while striking

Kinston 9 Terry County 1

The Kinston All-Stars led all the way to post a 9-1 win over Terry County (Texas), in third round pool play action. The Stars led only 2-0 after one inning, but plated six runs in the second inning to take command rolled to the three-inning win.

Delia Pennington had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's to lead Kinston at the plate, while Adelyn Jarrell added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; Harper Morris added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; Layla carter added 1 hit and scored 2 runs; Aubrey Norris and Emma Miranda both added 1 hit and scored 1 run; and, Adalyn Whigham added 1 hit and 1 rbi. Adelyn Jarrell and Elin Everheart combined to pitch three innings, with Jarrell pitching two and two-third innings, and allowed one earned run on one hit and five walks, while striking out two.

Kinston 8 Sylvan Hills 1

The Kinston All-Stars exploded for eight runs in the bottom of the first inning to take command and never looked back to post an 8-1 win over Sylvan Hills (Arkansas), to finish pool play with a perfect 4-0 record. The Stars came out hitting in their first trip to the plate and took advantage of five errors to blow the game open early.

Aubrey Norris had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi to lead Kinston at the plate, while Kylee Jerkins added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; Adalyn Whigham added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; Adelyn Jarrell, Ella Greene and Harper Morris all added 1 hit and scored 1 run; Delia Pennington and Haley Swager both scored 1 run; and, Emma Miranda added 1 rbi. Haley Swager and Elin Everheart combined

to pitch three innings, with Swager pitching two innings, and allowed one earned run on three walks, while tossing a no-hitter. Kinston 11 Hernando

Youth 0

The Kinston All-Stars began bracket play with a dominating 11-0 win over Hernando Youth (Florida). The Stars failed to score in their first at-bat, but scored five runs in the second and six in the third to advance in the national tournament. Aubrey Norris had 3

hits and scored 2 runs to lead Kinston at the plate, while Ella Greene added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; Kylee Jerkins added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; Emma Miranda added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; Delia Pennington added 1 hit and scored 2 runs; Adalyn Whigham added 1 hit and scored 1 run; Layla Carter had 3 rbi's; Adelyn Jarrell had 1 rbi; and, Harper Morris scored 1 run. Adelyn Jarrell and Elin Everheart combined to pitch four innings, with Jarrell pitching three innings, and combined to toss a no-hitter with 10 strikeouts.

Kinston 15 Berkshire Force

The Kinston All-Stars used a seven-run third inning to take charge and rolled to a big 15-5 win over Berkshire Force (Massachusetts). The Stars owned a slim 3-2 lead heading into the bottom of the third, but broke the game open and easily held on to claim the bracket win and move on toward the finals.

Adalyn Whigham had 3 hits, scored 2 runs and had 4 rbi's to lead Kinston at the plate, while Kylee Jerkins and Emma Miranda both added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; Aubrey Norris and Layla Carter both added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; Elin Everheart added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; Harper Morris added 1 hit and scored 2 runs; Ella Greene added 1 hit and scored 1 run; Adelyn Jarrell scored 2 runs; and, Delia Pennington scored 1 run. Hayley Swager pitched

four innings and allowed four earned runs on six hits, while striking out five.

Kinston 3 Jamesville 2

The Kinston All-Stars rallied from a 2-0 fifth inning deficit to defeat Jamesville (North Carolina) 3-2 to move into the finals of the weeklong tournament. Kinston plated two runs in the bottom of the fifth to pull even and then Kylee Jerkins ripped a walk-off single in the seventh to lift Kinston to

Kylee Jerkins had 2 hits and 3 rbi's to lead Kinston at the plate, while Emma Miranda and Adalyn Whigham both added 2 hits; Aubrey Norris added 1 hit and scored 2 runs; and, Layla carter scored 1 run.

Adelyn Jarrell pitched seven innings and allowed two earned runs on five hits and three walks, while striking out two.

Jefferson Parrish 6 Kinston

The Kinston All-Stars allowed three runs in both the second and fifth innings and fell one win short of claiming the World Series title with a 6-1 loss to the three-time defending champs from Jefferson Parrish, Louisiana. The Stars failed to get a hit in the opening three innings before Aubrey Norris led off the fourth inning with a double. However, Kinston failed to get on the scoreboard and trailed 6-0 heading into the top of the sixth. A leadoff single by Layla Carter and a one-out double by Aubrey Norris put runners on second and third and pumped life into a sixth inning comeback, and while Carter did cross the plate on a ground out by Delia Pennington, it was the only run the Stars would manage as they dropped the final game of the series 6-1.

Aubrey Norris had two doubles to lead Kinston at the plate, while Delia Pennington added 1 hit and 1 rbi, and Layla Carter added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Haley Swager pitched five innings and allowed two earned runs on six hits and two walks, while striking out four.



